

eral delays in San Paulo for passengers going to Rio de Janeiro, and the possibility of a sliding down price is concerned. Prices of imported commodities have risen considerably, but it is to be hoped that the intensification of the coast shipping laws will remedy this."

FRANCHISE TAX LAW.

Gov. Roosevelt has a Talk with Experts Regarding Needed Amendments.

ALBANY, Dec. 4.—Gov. Roosevelt to-day had long talks with Prof. Jenks of Cornell University, Prof. Seilgman of Columbia University, Senator Stranahan, chairman of the joint legislative committee which is inquiring into the subject of taxation, and William N. Cohen of New York, the leading subject of State taxation. The Governor was especially interested in views as to needed amendments to perfect the special Machine Tax law. The question of trusts was also considered. The reason for the talk was a desire on the part of the Governor to disclose the recommendations that he purposes to make to the Legislature in his annual message on the question of taxation of trusts.

It can be stated positively that no material amendments changing the scope of operation by the special Franchise Tax law will be made this winter. An endeavor will be made to pass amendments which will make the operation of the more extensive and new law of the State Tax Commission an ample work-force of clerks and tax-value experts."

Gov. Roosevelt was an expert on questions concerning taxation and trusts by President Had-

ley.

presented to Richard Stevens of Castle Point, the organizer and Major of the bar, and the endots. Mr. Stevens and his sister, Mrs. O. B. Alexander, led the grand march.

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